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REGISTRATION

OF

TUBERCULOSIS.



CHAPTER 412, ACTS OF 1904.

Adding New Sections to Article 43 of the Code of Public General Laws.

Section 34G. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland that from and after the passage of this act the State Board of Health of Maryland shall keep a register of all persons in this State who are known to be affected with tuberculosis. The State Board of Health shall have sole and exclusive control of said register, and shall not permit inspection thereof nor disclose any of its personal particulars except to officials authorized under the laws of Maryland to receive such information.

Section 34H. The superintendent or other person in charge or control of any hospital, dispensary, school, reformatory or other institution deriving the whole or any part of its support from the public funds of the State of Maryland or any city, town or county in the State of Maryland, having in charge or under care or custody any person or persons suffering with pulmonary or laryngeal tuberculosis shall within forty-eight hours after recognition of such disease make or cause to be made in the manner and form prescribed by the State Board of Health a record of the name, age, sex, color, occupation, social condition and residence of the person or persons so affected, together with such information as may seem necessary or important. And all such records shall be delivered under seal of the State Board of Health on Monday of the week immediately following that in which the records were made. Any superintendent or other person charged with a duty under this section who shall fail or refuse to comply with the requirements of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof shall be fined not more than twenty-five dollars.

Section 341. Whenever any physician knows that any person under his professional care is affected with pulmonary or laryngeal tuberculosis he shall transmit to the secretary of the State Board of Health within seven days and upon blanks provided by the State Board of Health for that purpose the name, age, sex, color, occupation, social condition and residence of such person and any physician failing or refusing to comply with the requirements of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction thereof shall be subject to a fine of ten dollars.

Section 34J. The apartments occupied by any consumptive shall be deemed infected and when vacated by death or removal of said consumptive occupant shall be disinfected by the board of health of the city, town or county in which such apartments are situated. And it shall be the duty of the householder, physician or other person having knowledge of the facts to notify the local board of health within forty-eight hours after the death or removal of a person affected with pulmonary or laryngeal tuberculosis. And any person failing to comply with the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction thereof shall be subject to a fine of ten dollars.

Section 34k. Any person who lets for hire or causes or permits anyone to occupy apartments previously occupied by a consumptive, before such apartments shall have been disinfected by a board of health shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined twenty-five dollars.

Section 2. And be it enacted that this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 8, 1904.

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